

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the PATENT application of		
Noah Scott Higdon, et al.	Examiner: Evans, Fannie L.	
Serial No.: 10/098,627	Art Unit: 2877	
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For: Laser Interrogation of Surface Agents	0EC 11	ECEIV
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450	L ROOM .	

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of one month, extending the time period for responding to the Office Action of July 31, 2003 from October 31, 2003 to December 1, 2003. Applicants further petition that any and all extensions of the term necessary to render timely the filing of the accompanying or any future responses be granted.

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$\boxtimes$	An extension fee in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed.
	The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated .
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 05-0460.
	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-0460. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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